



MEMORANDUM

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To: Ald. Marina Dimitrijevic and Ald. Scott Spiker
From: Tea B. Norfolk, Legislative Reference Bureau
Date: May 15, 2023
Subject: Food Truck Legislation

This memo is in response to your request for information relating to the changes Common Council File Number 220413 brings to food truck regulations.

The vast majority of citywide policy relating to food trucks will remain intact, with improvements on enforcement of the regulations that are currently in place. The proposed legislation adds the following enhancements:

- Food trucks shall not park within 50 feet of the entrance to a restaurant without a drive-through.
- Dumping of liquid waste by food peddler vehicles is prohibited.
- Food trucks shall provide trash receptacles and monitor and clean up litter around their vehicles.
- Fines for violating provisions related to selling articles from parked vehicles increases from \$5-\$50 to \$50-\$500.
- All bans remain intact except:
 - Lincoln Avenue.
 - The Water St. ban's sunset provision goes into effect with this legislation as replacement.
- Downtown will now be regulated by additional time limits (no operation after 1 a.m. and before 6 a.m., and food trucks shall move out of the zone after 6 hours and shall not return to the zone for 6 hours).
- Burnham Park will now have a limit on the number of vehicles that may park in the zone.
- Council members now have the option to:
 - Create a time-limited zone similar to Downtown.
 - Create a density-limited zone similar to Burnham Park.
- Provides that the Department of Public Works – Parking may enforce parking regulations relating to food trucks.
- This legislation requires commitment from the Department of Public Works – Parking, the Police Department, and the Health Department to enforce the regulations.
- The Common Council will review food truck policy on an annual basis.